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1. [redacted] all traffic entering and leaving the port passed between two buoys which were centrally placed in the harbor entrance. Between these two buoys and the shore, there were rows of buoys which probably supported anti-submarine nets.

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2. At the inner (sic) end of the Neftyanoy mole, there was a guard tower in which sentries were on watch at all times.

3. The control procedure upon the arrival and departure [redacted] was very simple. The crew did not have to assemble and there was no inspection of the ship. A small patrol vessel followed [redacted] ship out of the port for a few miles.

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4. Two guards were posted on the quay at the mooring position of each ship. The guards forbade one of the officers [redacted] to take a plumb reading of the depth alongside the quay.

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5. In the shipyard west of the petroleum harbor, there were two steel vessels in slips. The hulls were finished. [redacted] a third slip was empty.

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